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MEMORANDUM FOR: Cover Officer, DPD-DD/P

5 January 1959

SUBJECT

: Contractor Correspondence

REFERENCE

: Memorandum for DD/P, dated 2 January 1958

from Cover Officer (COR-301)//

1. I have indicated my concurrence with the proposed contractor correspondence in support of CORONA. This impresses me as an excellent and ingenious device to strengthen our cover.

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2. The only comment I have relates to the letter from Root. It would seem to me that where (on the 3rd page) the draft discusses the desirability of security with respect to the SENTRY series, it should make some reference to the public statements and press stories that have appeared concerning SENTRY. Perhaps the statement could be of the order that "although there has been much discussion of this project in the press, an effort is now being made to re-establish security and, in any case we at Lockheed should not be the source of unauthorized disclosures". This is only intended as an example of the sort of remark that might be made to render the letter more plausible. The Root-Schriever correspondence seems excellent.

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